

PRELIMINARY REMARKS

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embodiment of this interpolation routine with reference  
to FIG. 14.

**REMARKS**

All claims filed in connection with the Parent Application (Serial No. 09/951,334) have been canceled in this 37 CFR 1.53(b) Continuation application. Accordingly, claims 1-7 in this Continuation application are new.

Claims 1-7 are drawn toward a computer-based method for adapting an enterprise planning model to include a strategic constraint. The subject matter of claims 1-7 relates in general to the subject matter of the claims first presented in the grandparent application, U.S. Patent No. 6,308,162.

Applicant believes independent claim 1 - 7 of the 37 C.F.R. Continuation application to be allowable, and that the present Continuation application is in a condition for allowance. Consideration of the accompanying 37 CFR 1.53(b) Continuation application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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